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DXCC

This week on HF

5V, TOGO Operators OK1FCJ and OK6DJ are operating as 5V7P until April 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS and LoTW.

6Y, JAMAICA Helmut, DJ7CF is QRV as 6Y5/call until April 28. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via home call.

8Q, MALDIVES Jim, G3VDB is QRV as 8Q7EJ until May 7. Activity in 'holiday style' using a vertical antenna. Operation on 20, 17 and 30 meter using mostly CW with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call.

8Q, MALDIVES Michael, VK6ZOA is active as 8Q7MJ until May 28. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

A2, BOTSWANA A large team led by Nobby G0VJG is QRV as A25UK until May 6. Operation with 5 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO. http://www.a25uk.com/

CN, MOROCCO Carlos CT1QP, Antonio CT1CDU and Helder CT1CDP are active as CN2CL and CN2DP until May 5. QSL for CN2CL via CT1QP, for CN2DP via CT1CDP.

D4, CAPE VERDE Harald, DF2WO will once again be operating in 'holiday-style' as D44TWO from May 3 until June 8. Activity from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via M00XO.

E5, SOUTH COOKS Doug W6HB and Bruce AD7MM will once again be QRV as E51DLD and as E51BAS between April 28 and May 12. Activity from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via home call

ER, MOLDOVA Members of the Beskidzki's ARC are active as ER0PL until April 28. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via SP9KAT, direct or bureau, logsearch on Club Log.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Max, IZ2ZTQ will be QRV as FO/call between May 1 and July 31. Operation with green power on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 meter using SSB, PSK, RTTY and JT65. He will visit:

- Marquesas Island Fatu Hiva IOTA: OC-027
- Tuamotu Archipelago Rangiroa IOTA: OC-066
- Leeward Society Islands Bora Bora IOTA: OC-067
- Windward Society Islands Tahiti IOTA: OC-046

See https://www.qrz.com/lookup/fo/iz2ztq for updates. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

FS, ST MARTIN John, K9EL will once again be operating as FS/call from May 1 until May 15. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

J6, ST LUCIA Ralph K1ZZI and Stephen WF2S are operating as J6/calls until April 27. Operation on HF. OSL via homecalls, LoTW.

JW, SVALBARD Kamil, SQ8KFH is active as JW/call while working at the Polish Polar Station in Hornsund. Operation until May 20 on 20 meter using SSB and digital modes. OSL via home call and LoTW.

S7, SEYCHELLES Ivan, LZ1PJ will be QRV as S79J from May 2 until May 10. Operation using CW only during his spare time. QSL via home call, LoTW.

SV9, **CRETE** Seppo, OH1VR is active as SV9/call until May 3. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using mainly CW. QSL via home call, direct only.

TG, GUATEMALA Dwight VE7BV and Doug VE7VZ are operating as TG9BBV and TG9/VE7VZ until May 15. QSL for both calls via VE7BV, direct or bureau, LoTW.

TG, GUATEMALA Tom, KCOW is active as TG7/call until May 8. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW only. QSL via home call, direct only.

V4, ST KITTS Alex, W1CDC is operating in 'holiday-style' as V4/call until May 7. Activity on HF using mainly CW. QSL via home call, direct only.

V5, NAMIBIA Stefan, HB9JAB is QRV during his spare time as V51/HB9JAB until May 8. OSL via LoTW.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND Cristoph, DL1YAF will be active as call/VK9L from May 1 until May 8. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA Jim, ND9M is active again as VQ96JC, license is valid until July, but he will try and get VQ917JC, as he has used "year-specific special calls every year starting in 2007". Plans are to be QRV for about three hours during his evenings, as he has to commute between his ship and his operating location on the island, then set up and break down each time. He operates mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes. OSL via home call.

XV, VIETNAM Yuri, RM0F will be operating in 'holiday-style' as 3W9FU between May 1 and May 10. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

XV, VIETNAM Jesus JP7MBO is active as XV9G until May 9. Activity on 40, 20 and 15 meter using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via home cal.

XV, VIETNAM Peter, DF7DQ will be operating as 3W9DQ from May 1 until May 10. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, Club Log.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Al, KZ3AB will operate from Grand Cayman as ZF2AB from April 29 until May 6. Operation on HF. QSL via WA3EOP.

Coming up soon

8R, GUYANA Tom, KC0W will be active as 8R1/call from May 10 until June 8. QSL via home call, direct only.

<u>IOTA</u>

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This week on HF

AS-047 Minami Daito Isl Tak JR1LZK/6 and Mitsu JE1HXZ/6 will be operating from April 28 until May 6. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS047

AS-073 Perhentian Besar Luca, IK2PFL will be QRV in 'holiday-style' as 9M2/IK2PFL from May 1 until May 4. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS073

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR and Take JI3DST are QRV as call/6 until May 9. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using all modes. QSL via homecalls.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS079

EU-008 Islay Ian, G8ZLL is QRV from the Scottish island of Islay, Inner

Hebrides until April 28. He will operate mainly CW on 80,

40 and 20 meter. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU008

EU-008 Isle of Mull John, 2E0GUA is active in 'holiday-style' as 2M0GUA until May 2. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU008

EU-008 Isle of Mull A team from Tynemouth ARC is operating as GS0NWM until April 28. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via M0URX, OQRS. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU008

EU-009 Isle of South Ronaldsay Elaine 2E1BVS, John G3WFK, Glann G6HFF and Val G6MML are operating as GB4SRO until May 5. Activity mainly on 40 and 20 meter using SSB and PSK31. QSL via G6MML, direct or bureau.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU009

EU-030 Bornholm Isl Fred, SM7DAY will be QRV as OZ/call/P between May 3 and May 10. Activity on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU030

EU-063 Hopen Isl Erik, LA2US is operating as JW2US until June. Operation around the IOTA frequencies using CW during his spare time. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU063

EU-124 Holy Isl Mark, G0GQT, Keith M0KJA and Nigel G0GDA will be QRV as MC0VRC from April 30 until May 6. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. No paper QSL. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU124

OC-119 Jolo Sulu Dindo, DU1UD is QRV as DU1UD/8 on HF using vertical antennas, a K3 and KPA500 PA. Operations will be sporadic, in between work commitments and at this stage there is no date for him being QRT. He could be on Jolo Sulu for several weeks, possibly a month. His location is sensitive and therefore it's not appropriate to have an operating schedule. QSL via M00XO, OQRS. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc119

OC-130 Mindanao Isl Marc, ON5SM is once again operating as DU9/call until May 24. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, digital and SSTV. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC130

OC-165 Satang Besar Isl Dennis 9W8DEN, Allpa 9M8ADX and Aldrin 9M8WAT will be active as 9M8RC between April 29 and May 1. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc165

Coming up soon

AS-058 Langkawi Isl Luca, IK2PFL will be operating from this island between May 6 and May 8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS058

EU-008 Islay The Camb Hams will be operating as GS3PYE/P from May 6 until May 12. Activity from 80 to 2 meter using all modes.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU008

OC-098 Pukapuka Atoli Cezar, VE3LYC will attempt to be active between May 11 and May 23 as E51LYC. The OC-098 IOTA group was last on the air more than 22 years ago, and as such is in demand by 92% of the IOTA membership. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC098

http://e51lyc.weebly.com/

OC-235 Siargao Isl Jacek, SP5APW will be QRV as DU9/call between May 9 and May 16. QSL via home call. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC235

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

VP9, BERMUDA Mario CX4CR and Bert CX3AN will be operating as VP9/calls between May 10 and May 15. Operation in 'holiday-style' with focus on 12 meter if the band is open. QSL via EB7DX.

THE REMINDERS

3B7, AGALEGA and ST BRANDON Seb, F5UFX announces 'after our successful dxpeditions to tromelin (ft4ta) and juan de nova (ft4ja), we are very happy to announce our new project. our team will be active from saint brandon island 3B7 in October 2017 for a two weeks operation. more details to follow soon!'

3Y, BOUVET ISL A large team led by Bob K4UEE, Erling LA6VM and Ralph K0IR will be operating from the most remote place on earth. The DXpedition is taking place early 2018. http://www.dx-world.net/3y0z-bouvet-2018/ http://www.bouvetdx.org/

9H, MALTA Mek, SQ3RX will be operating as 9H3SQ between May 15 and May 24. QRV from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL preferred via Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

9M0, SPRATLY ISLAND Originally announced for December, the 9M0W DXpedition to the Spratly Islands has been postponed to March 10 – March 20 2018, owing to the unavailability of the resort on Layang Layang. Plans are for Hrane, YT1AD and a large group to be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. The team has two vacant positions.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA Rich, PAORRS will once again be QRV as 9M2MRS between December 1 and January 30, 2018. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS and logsearch on Club Log.

9U, BURUNDI The MDXC team led by Antonio IZ8CCW and co-leader Gabriele I2VGW will conduct their next DXpedition as 9U4M, this between November 6 and November 17. QRV with 5 stations using all band and all modes. More to follow.

9X, RWANDA Harald, DF2WO will again be active as 9X2AW between November 15 and November 30. QSL via M0OXO.

A2, BOTSWANA Alex, IW5ELA will be active as A25AL in September 2017. More to follow.

A2, BOTSWANA Pavel R2AD, Yuri RM0F and Elena RC5A will be operating as A25BE, A25BI and A25SP around mid-September. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via homecalls, OQRS Club Log and LoTW.

E3, ERITREA Zorro JH1AJT, Franz DJ9ZB, Champ E21EIC and Dima RA9USU will be active as E31AA between May 19 and May 29. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JH1AJT.

E4, PALESTINE Members of the True DXing Group with SP9FIH, SP9FIG, SQ9CNN and SQ9D will be QRV as E44WE from May 16 until May 30. QSL via SP9FIH, Club Log OQRS. http://www.e4.dxpeditions.org/

EA9, CEUTA & MELILLA From 18 to 22 May 2017, a team of 10 from the "Tortugas CW" group will be active from Melilla before (as EG9TOR) and during KOS CW Contest 2017 (as ED9T) operating on all modes and bands before the contest (starting on Sat 12:00 UTC) and CW later. http://qrz.com/db/eg9tor

FG, GUADELOUPE Reiner, DL2AAZ will be QRV in 'holiday-style' as FG/call between May 22 and June 7. Operation from 30 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call

FO, TAHITI Jean-Pierre, F6CTF will be operating as FO/call between June and September. Operation on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meter. QSL via home call, direct.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON Look once again for FP/KV1J between July 4 and July 18. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using mostly SSB and RTTY with some CW. QSL via LoTW. http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July17.html

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE Stan, LZ1GC will once again be QRV as H40GC between September 30 and October 20. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW. http://www.c21gc.com/

HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN Members from Stirling District ARS and GMDX group will be operating as HBO/GM4UYE from June 1 until June 6. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. Whilst looking to give people an ATNO, ANY MONEY RAISED WILL BE DONATED to Yorkhill Children's Charity / Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity, Scotland. QSL via MOOXO, OQRS.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Tim, LW9EOC will be operating as HC8/call from May 15 until May 29. Activity from 160 to 6 meter with focus on the WARC bands. QSL via home call. HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Look for G8OFQ, KG0YL, VK2BXE and WB2REM will be operating as HD8M between September 14 and September 21. Activity from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via WB2REM, Club Log OQRS.

J5, GUINEA BISSAU The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as J5T during mid-November. Operation with 4 stations on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via I2YSB and LoTW, real-time logsearch and OQRS via http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/ **JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NAJ will once again be QRV as call/JD1 from mid-May until mid-July. Operation during his spare time. Activity on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA8CJY.

OJO, MARKET REEF A Belgian team from ON4RSX ARC with ON5TQ, ON6QO, ON2KMJ and ON8VP will be operating as OJOV from July 1 until July 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via ON5TC.

PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS

PJ6, SABA

PJ7, ST MAARTEN

Frank, PH2M informs:

This is an update for my holiday-style DX-pedition to the Caribbean islands of St.Maarten, Saba & St.Eustatius.

The definite time schedule (local time) will be:

St.Maarten: Arrival on May 19 (afternoon) – departure on May 24 (morning)

Saba: Arrival on May 24 (afternoon) – departure on May 29 (morning)

St.Eustatius: Arrival on May 29 (afternoon) – departure on June 4 (morning)

For more info and updates during the DX-pedition, see my QRZ-pages:

https://www.grz.com/db/PJ7/PH2M

https://www.qrz.com/db/PJ6/PH2M

https://www.qrz.com/db/PJ5/PH2M

QSL via home call, bureau or direct, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN LU1FM, LU2CJW, LU3FMD, LU4FBU and LU9FHF will be active as PJ7T between October 24 and November 4. QRV on HF. QSL via LU1FM, LoTW. PY0T, TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLAND A DXpedition is planned during 2018. More to follow.

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE Jose, EA5IDQ will be operating as S9CW from October 12 until October 21. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. **T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI** Chris, VK3FY will be active as T30T from Tarawa, Kiribati. Activity in December, dates to be announced. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS.

T8, PALAU Akira JH0CKF, Kay JJ0RIK and Kunio JA8VE will be active from Palau as T88MZ, T8KA and T8VE between May 12 and May 19. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via homecalls.

T8, PALAU Japanese operators JM1LIG/T88FM, JL1HYH/T88HY, JO3LVG/T88MK, JI6NCY/T88NC, JA6UBY/T88RR and JH6DUL/T88VV will be active between June 16 and June 23. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via homecalls. **TK, CORSICA** Alex, F4GHS will be operating in 'holiday-style' as TK/call between May 23 and May 28. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

V4, ST KITTS & NEVIS Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be operating as V4/calls between July 1 and July 9. Operation from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via homecalls.

V6, MICRONESIA Susumu, JA6REX will be QRV as V63KS from Chuuk between August 28 and September 4. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. http://v63.webcrow.jp/index.html

VKO, MACQUARIE ISL John, VK3YP has announced planning has commenced for a Dxpedition to Macquarie Island (#9 on Club Log most wanted DXCC) in early 2018 with a total of 5 VK operators. More details to follow as we get closer to the date.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLAND

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND

Chris VK3FY, Lee VK3GK, Tony VK3TZ and others will be active as VK9XI from Christmas and as VK9CI from Cocos Keeling Isl.

- -Christmas Isl from October 2 until October 10
- -Cocos Keeling Isl from October 10 until October 17

Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with a focus on the low bands. QSL via M00XO, OQRS.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLAND Keith GM4YXI and Chris GM3WOJ are once again QRV from October 23 until November 6. Operation as VK9CZ (pending). This operation follows immediately after the VK9CI DXpedition. More to follow.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF Hawk SM5AQ and Rob N7QT are planning a DXpedition this November. Currently working to obtain landing rights and a VK0M callsign. A team of 8 operators will be QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. More to follow.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Henri OH3JR and Seppo OH1VR will be once again operating as VP2EHC and VP2ESM from November 21 until December 2. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct only.

YJ, VANUATU Look once again for YJ0GA from July 6 until July 13. Operation in 'holiday-style' with efforts to look for 20 and 30 meter for Western Europe. All QSL donations will be used to support the children at the Little Lights Preschool. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

Announced IOTA

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EU-042 Hooge Isl Mike, DG5LAC will be active during the IOTA contest as call/P. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call, direct or bureau.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU042

EU-052 Corfu Oliver, DK7TX will be operating as SV8/call from June 4 until June 13. OSL via home call. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/groupinfo.php?refno=EU-052

EU-120 Isle of Wight Look for ON3UN, ON4ACA, ON6LY and ON6UQ as GB9IOW. Activity from July 28 until August 3. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. An entry in the IOTA contest is also included. QSL via ON3UN, direct or bureau. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU120

NA-143 Galveston Isl Joe, K5KUA will once again be operating as call/5 from July 28 until August 1. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, logsearch on Club Log. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na143

THE REMINDERS

AF-038 Dahlak Isl Zorro, JH1AJT will be operating somewhere around mid-May as E39DI. QRV from 160 to 40 meter. QSL via home call.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF038

AF-094 Rachgoun Isl The Algerian Amateur Radio Union is planning a trip to AF-094 with the call 7Y94I. More to follow. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF094

AF-108 Tigres Isl A 8-man team will be operating the first half of June. The full planning is in stage. Website and full details to follow. This IOTA group has never been activated before. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF108

AF-111 Baiyah Isl A team of 5 IOTA activators will be operating from Baiyah Island, plan is a 3-4 day activity. Dates to be determined. Website coming second half 2017. This IOTA has never been activated before.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF111

AS-022 Leont'yeva Isl Yury R2DG, Vasily R7AA and Yevgeny UA6EX will be operating as RI0LI between July 24 and July 31. Activity is planned with 2 stations on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via Club Log OQRS or R7AA direct or bureau. http://www.ri0li.com/

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS022

AS-039 Commander Isl A group will be active during July-August 2017 as RIOZ. Commander Islands — an archipelago of four Islands in the South-Western part of the Bering sea of the Pacific ocean. The administrative part of the Aleut district of the Kamchatka Krai of Russia. The island is named after who discovered them in 1741, Explorer commander Vitus Bering.

In the team's plans included visiting the most remote Islands – Mednyj (Copper). Island remote from the American Aleutian Islands at a distance of 190 miles.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS039

AS-069 Iony Isl A Russian Robinson Team with R7AL, RA1ZZ, RW5D and RK8A will be QRV as RIOC during the second half of July 2017. Operation on 40, 30, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital mode. http://www.iony2017.com/eng https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS069

EU-094 Ile Saint Nicolas A Belgian Team with ON4KZ, ON5HC, ON7PQ and ON9AZ will be active as TM7U from May 21 until May 26. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via ON8AZ, bureau or direct. http://tm7u.be/index.php https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=eu094

EU-128 Fehmarn Isl Look for ON6ZV, ON6OM, ON7EG and ON4MW as DL/ON4IPA and DL/OO6P from June 17 until June 23. QSL via ON6ZV, direct or bureau. More on http://www.gsl.net/o/on6om//EU-128/

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=eu128

EU-137 Ven Isl SA7G/7 will be active from June 4 until June 11. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW. QSL via SM6CUK, direct or bureau, LoTW.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU137

EU-190 Viktoriya Isl The RI1F team (up to 12 ops) depart for the NEW IOTA on September 23, 2017. Depending on sea conditions, it should take approx 3-4 days to reach the island. QRV thereafter. Bookmark for updates. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU190

NA-019 Kodiak Isl Chris, VK3FY will be operating as KL7/call during July, dates to be announced. OSL via M0OXO, OORS.

https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA019

NA-057 Guanaja Isl John, AD8J will be operating as HR9/call between May 13 and May 27. Activity on all bands with a focus on 160 and 80 meter. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW. https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na057

NA-116 Chira Isl Look for TE8DX between June 8 and June 12. Operators TI2CC, TI2JJF, TI2CDA, KM4HI and N3KS will be operating from 80 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via TI2CDA. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA116

NA-128 Ile-aux-Coudres The NA128 Contest Group will once again be QRV as CG2I from July 27 until July 30 for the IOTA contest. QSL via VE2EBK, direct, Club Log and LoTW will be uploaded after the contest. http://www.qsl.net/na128cg https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na128

NA-173 Charlton Isl A team with VA2AMH, VE2MBT, VE2SSS, VE2WHZ and VE2YAG will be active as VY0/VA2NDX from July 28 until July 30. Operation on HF before and after the IOTA contest. QSL via F4BHW.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA173

OC-128 Palawan Isl Dale, KE0BRZ will be operating in 'holiday-style' as DU1/call from August 18 until August 22. Operation mainly on 20 meter using SSB.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC128

OC-151 Flores Isl Leo, YC9MLL will be QRV from Flores in July. Operation on 15 and 20 meter, maybe 40 meter. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS.

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC151

OC-198 North Isl Craig, VK5CE will be operating as call/8 from October 12 until October 16. This is a super rare IOTA. More on https://oc198.wordpress.com/ https://www.rsqbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc198

Craig mentions 'THIS WILL BE ONE OF MY MOST ADVENTUROUS AND EXCITING ONE MAN DXPEDITIONS EVER. I'VE BEEN TRYING TO BRING THIS ON THE AIR SINCE 2011 AND SO I CAN'T WAIT TO GET ON THE AIR'.

OC-216 Ashmore Reef Craig, VK5CE will activate this island early November as VK5CE/9. The IOTA is claimed by just 3.2% (and will go lower after the annual listings are updated) and it is equal 5th in the world in the IOTA Most Wanted List. This is a one man operation using a tent and generator and the cost is over \$14,000. Full details are at https://ashmorereef.wordpress.com/

https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC216

OC-226 Mwokil Isl Mami, JP3AYQ is planning a trip to the rare IOTA's of V6. More to follow. https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc226

Antarctic base stations

Bellinghausen station Alex, UA10JL is QRV as RI1ANO until March 2018. Operation during his spare time on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RN10N, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log.

Dumont d'Urville Station update Francois, F4HLT is active for one year at the Dumont d'Urville Station on Petrels Island (AN-017). In his spare time he will be QRV as FT3YL. His licence is valid until February1, 2018. QSL via F6KPQ. https://f4hlt.wordpress.com/)

Neumayer Station III Daniel, DL1SU, works as an electronics engineer at the base. He uses the club call sign DP0GVN until February 2018. QSL cards for DP0GVN will be handled by DL5EBE, direct or via the bureau.

Syowa research station Yath, JG2MLI is operating as 8J1RL until January 2018. In addition, to mark the 60th anniversary of Japanese Antarctic Research Expeditions, Yath will also use the call 8J60JARE. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via bureau and LoTW, for direct via JG2MLI.

Special call

THE NEWCOMERS

4X, ISRAEL Look for **4X69** and **4Z69** are special prefixes to celebrate the 69th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. Activity <u>until May 10</u>. **CE, CHILE** A team of seven operators (CA5GRF, CE1DY, CE2MVF, CE3OP, CE5PRD, CE7KF and XQ4NUA) is QRV as **XR4S** <u>until April 30</u>. Operation from the mining town of Sewell, an UNESCO World Heritage Site situated in the Andes. QSL via XQ4NUA, direct or bureau.

DL, GERMANY The ARC of Pfronten Fuesen (DOK T11), is celebrating its 60th anniversary with the call **DL60TELF**. Activity <u>from May 1 until April 30 2018</u>. QSL via bureau, LoTW.

DL, GERMANY Look for **DL2017TDF** between May 1 and July 31. Special DOK, this for the grand start of the Tour De France 2017 in Dusseldorf. QSL via DK7TX. **EA, SPAIN EH7EUR** is the call to mark Europe Day (May 9). QRV from April 28 until May 9. QSL via EA7NL.

JA, JAPAN 8J4VLP, **8J6VLP**, **8J8VLP** and **8J9VLP** are the special calls in the context of World QRP Day (June 17). Activity until June 30. QSL via bureau.

LY, LITHUANIA Look for **LY17PM** from different hillforts in Lithuania <u>during May and June</u>. QSO's count towards the Lithuanian Hillforts Award. QSL via LY2KM.

OM, SLOVAK REP Look for **OM500R** to mark the Reformation celebrations <u>until end</u> 2017. QSL see QRZ.com.

SP, POLAND HF700SP will celebrate the 70th anniversary of the fire in Czerna. Operation from May 1 until May 14. OSL via SO6BOR, direct or bureau.

SP, POLAND SN74GETTO commemorates the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. Activity <u>until</u> <u>May 16</u>. QSL via SP5PDB, direct.

W, USA Members of the QSY Society ARC will be celebrating Samuel F.B. Morse's 226th anniversary on April 29 with the call **W2M**. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW only. QSL via LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

5B, CYPRUS H2017PFO is the special call <u>until end 2017</u> to celebrate that Paphos (Cyprus) has the honour of being the European Capital of Culture for 2017 together with Aarhus (Denmark). QSL via Club Log OQRS or via 5B4AIE, direct preferred.

9H, MALTA Special call **9H2017EU** celebrates the Maltese Presidency of the Council of the European Union. Activity <u>until June</u>. QSL via 9H1SP, direct only.

9N, NEPAL Satish, 9N1AA is operating as **9N1MD** <u>during April</u>. This to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Mediterraneo DX Club. QSL via IZ1BVZ.

DL, GERMANY DM200LFS (special DOK 200LFS) commemorates the 200th birthday of Louis Ferdinand Schoenherr, a German inventor of power looms. Activity <u>until end February 2018</u>. All QSOs count as a "joker" and 10 points for the KIDS award that is supporting SOS Children's Villages in Saxony. QSL via eQSL, LoTW and bureau. http://df0che.darc.de/dm200lfs.php

DL, GERMANY DM150HSM is the special call to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the University of Applied Sciences at Mittweida. Activity <u>until end June</u>. Operation on HF using mostly SSB with some CW and PSK. QSL via DK0MIT. http://www.global.hs-mittweida.de/~dk0mit/Joomla/

DL, GERMANY DR60VKL is the special call to mark the 60th anniversary of the DARC ARC Voelklingen. Activity <u>during 2017</u>. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Special calls **DR500MLE**, **DR1517LU**, **DR5LUTHER**, **DC500LS**, **DM5LUTHER** and **DL500ML** are QRV <u>during 2017</u> to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation initiated by Martin Luther.

DL, GERMANY Operators of the club station DL0VBG from the railway museum Vienenburg are active as **DR0HARZ** <u>during 2017</u> to mark the 25th anniversary of the return of the narrow gauge Brocken Railway. QSL via DF7AA, direct or bureau.

DL, **GERMANY** Look for **DB20ENERGY** to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the German Company DB Energie. Operation <u>until end 2017</u>. QSL via bureau or via DM2DX direct.

DL, GERMANY DR60SAL is the special call to celebrate the reunification of Saarland with the Fed. Rep of Germany 60 years ago. Operation <u>during 2017</u>. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Operators of the ARC Wittenberg (DOK W29) will be operating as **DR1517LU** <u>during 2017</u>. This to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY The DARC club Marsberg (DOK O53) is celebrating its 30th anniversary until June with the special call **DLOMHD**. QSL via bureau.

EI, IRELAND The following nine special event calls are drawing attention to Ireland's "Wild Atlantic Way" along the island's western coast during 2017.

EI11WAW - County Donegal

EI22WAW - County Leitrim

EI33WAW - County Sligo

EI44WAW - County Mayo

EI55WAW - County Galway

EI66WAW - County Clare

- **EI77WAW** County Limerick
- EI88WAW County Kerry
- **EI99WAW** County Cork
- QSL via Club Log OQRS or via EI6AL direct.
- **EW, BELARUS EV145I** is the special call from the city of Rechytsa, this to celebrate the 145th anniversary of the creation of the Water Rescue Society. Activity <u>until June 22</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **HA, HUNGARY** Special call **HG14HST** is active to promote the 14th IARU High Speed Telegraphy World Championship that will be held in Esztergom, Hungary on <u>September 8-12</u>. QSL via HA2NA and LoTW. http://www.hst2017.org/en/
- **HA, HUNGARY** The MTTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub is using the call **HG17EYOF** <u>until</u> <u>August 31</u> to celebrate the European Youth Olympic Festival (a biennial multi-sport event for youth athletes from the 48 member countries of the association of European Olympic Committees) which will be held in Gyor on 23-29 July. QSL direct only to MTTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub, Gyor, Nagysandor Jozsef u. 27, 9027, Hungary.
- **HB, SWITZERLAND** Look for **HB600NVF** until December 31. This to commemorate the 600th anniversary of the birth of Niklaus von Flue, the patron saint of Switzerland. QSL via LoTW, for paper QSL via HB9JOE. http://www.grz.com/db/hb600nvf
- **I, ITALY** Look for **IQ0PG** <u>until April 30</u> for the ARI 90 years award. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW, bureau or direct. https://www.qrz.com/db/iq0pg
- **I, ITALY II1TON** is the special call to celebrate the 90th anniversary of ARI Torino. Activity <u>until June 30</u>. QSL via Club Log OQRS.
- **I, ITALY** Celebrating the 10th anniversary of Insubria Radio (IQ2IR), special call **IR2XIR** will be used during 2017. OSL via Club Log's OORS or via 9A8MDC.
- **JA, JAPAN** The Katayanagi Institute of the University of Tokyo celebrates its 70th anniversary on the air with the call **8J1YAC** <u>until end March 2018</u>. Activity from 160 meter to 70cm using CW and SSB. OSL via bureau or via JE1XUZ direct.
- **JA, JAPAN 8J1IP** is the special call to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Inokashira Park. Activity <u>until June 30</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **JA, JAPAN** Special call **8J2016Y** is active <u>until October 31</u>. This to celebrate the Inuyama Festival, one of the 33 Japanese float festivals that in 2016 UNESCO inscribed to the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. QSL via the JARL bureau.
- **LA, NORWAY LA1742K** is the special call to celebrate the 275th anniversary of the city Kristiansund. Operation until end 2017. QSL via LA6K, direct or bureau.
- **LA, NORWAY LM80REX** and **LM80Q** are the special calls <u>during 2017</u> to celebrate the 80th anniversary of King Harald V and Queen Sonja. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via LA9VDA.
- **LZ, BULGARY** Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use these special calls throughout 2017 to honor as many different Bulgarian saints: **LZ303SA** (April),
- **LZ395SG** (May), **LZ121SBS** (June), **LZ284SKD** (July), **LZ55UPB** (August), **LZ100SK** (September), **LZ251MKP** (October), **LZ307MU** (November) and **LZ710SG** (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2017" award can be found at http://www.lz1kcp.com.
- **OH, FINLAND** Taking part in the celebrations of Finland's 100th anniversary as an independent state, amateur radio clubs around the country will activate the special call **OF100FI/#** (where # is the number of the call area, from 0 to 9). Activity <u>during 2017</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **OM, SLOVAK REP OM42KYSUCE** is active to mark the 42nd ARDF Kysuca Cup. Activity <u>until end June</u>. QSL via OM3CND, bureau or direct.
- **OM, SLOVAK REP** Pavel, OM3CND will use **OM685RADOLA** to celebrate the 685th anniversary of the town Radol'a. Activity <u>during 2017</u>. QSL via OM3CND.
- **ON, BELGIUM** Members of the Belgian Radio Club ONZ will be operating <u>during 2017</u> as **OP17HC**. This to commemorate the First World War. QSL via ON7PP. http://uba.be/en/latest/flash/uba-14-18-award
- **OZ, DENMARK OZ44C** marks Thor Heyerdahl's Kon-Tiki Expedition (LI2B/mm) 70 years ago. QRV until the end of 2017. QSL via 5P2BA, direct or bureau.

- **OZ, DENMARK** Look for **OZ1AARHUS** to mark the City Aarhus being one of the two European Capitals of Culture in 2017.
- **OZ, DENMARK** The Danish radio club Eksperimenterende Danske Radio-amatoere (EDR) will celebrate its 70th anniversary with the special event calls **5P90EDR**, **OV90EDR**, **OX90EDR**, **OZ90EDR**, **OZ7D** (only in JT-modes) <u>during 2017</u>. An award will also be available. OSL via OZ1ACB, LoTW, Club Log OORS.
- **OZ, DENMARK** To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Treaty of the Danish West Indies, special call **OZ100DVI** will be active <u>during 2017</u>. In 1917 the Dansk Vest-Indien were sold to the United States and renamed the US Virgin Islands. QSL via OZ1IVA, direct or bureau.
- **S5, SLOVENIA** Look for **S557E** <u>during 2017</u> to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Radio Club Cerkno (S50E). QSL confirmed automatically via bureau and LoTW, direct via S50O.
- **S5, SLOVENIA S5100LIONS** celebrates the 100^{th} anniversary of the Lions Club International <u>until end 2017</u>. QSL via S53DOX.
- **SM, SWEDEN** Special event station **SC90SM** is QRV <u>until December 31</u>, this to mark the 90th anniversary of the longwave broadcasting station in Motala. Inaugurated in 1927 and closed in 1962, it was one of the most powerful BC stations in Europe. QSL via SM5ELV, direct or bureau.
- **SP, POLAND** Zbigniew, SP2IU is celebrating his 60th year on the air with the special call **HF60IU**. Operation <u>until May 15</u>. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- **UA, RUSSIA** Special station **RA36GS** is active <u>until May 22</u>, this to commemorate the 140th anniversary of the birth of Russian Arctic explorer Georgy Y. Sedov (1877-1914). QSL via RN3FY.
- **UA, RUSSIA** Special stations **R1961GP** and **R1961AG** are active <u>until April 30</u> to commemorate the first manned space flight made on 12 April 1961 by Yuri Gagarin. QSL R19161GP via Club Log OQRS or R4CR, QSL R1961AG via RA4DR.
- **UA, RUSSIA** The Russian Amateur Radio Union celebrates its 25th anniversary with **R25SRR** and the following other special event calls <u>throughout April</u>: **RM25ORL**, **R025KL**, **RM25MOS**, **R025OR**, **R025TN**, **R025KO**, **R025VO**, **R025KI**, **R025MA**, **R025MO**, **R025TA**, **R025LO**, **R025SP** and **R025RO**. http://srr25.hamlog.ru/?locale=en **UA, RUSSIA** The Radio Marathon "Moscow-870" is QRV end 2017. Special call for April is **R870O**. For May it's **R870C** (May 1-10), **R1712M** (May 11-20) and **R1606M** (May 21-31). QSL via RK3AW. Detailed information on the event and the award programme can be found at http://www.moscow870.com
- **UR, UKRAINE** The Druzhkivka Club is celebrating its 90th anniversary as **EN90IWA**. QRV until end 2017. QSL via bureau.
- **VE, CANADA XO1X** is the call for the Yukon CanAm Contest Club. This to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation <u>until 31 December</u>. QSL direct to KC1CWF or via LoTW.
- **VE, CANADA** Members of the Kings County ARC are active as **XM1150CAN**, this to mark the founding of Canada 150 years ago. Active <u>until end 2017</u>. QSL via bureau and LoTW.
- **W, USA** The "KB7QPS Air, Space and Technology Operating Event "is commemorating man's historical milestones in air, space and technology over the last 400 years" by operating twelve callsigns (see below) <u>during 2017</u>. QSL direct to KB7QPS. http://airspacetechnology.webs.com/

Callsign	SES Title	Event Dates
N6R	3 Generations of Mars Rovers	1/19/17 - 1/23/17
W7J	Discovery of Jupiter's Moons	2/2/17 - 2/6/17
W7C	First Flight of the Concorde	3/2/17 - 3/6/17
N7S	First Space Shuttle Launch	4/13/17 - 4/17/17
N7T	Hubble Space Telescope	5/18/17 - 5/22/17
W7S	Discovery of Sunspots	6/8/17 - 6/12/17
N7M	Man Walking on the Moon	7/20/17 - 7/24/17
K71	Birth of the IBM-PC	8/10/17 - 8/14/17
W7F	First Flight of the F-22	9/7/17 - 9/11/17
K7S	Sputnik Launch	9/28/17 - 10/2/17
K7E	Invention of the Electron Tube	11/9/17 - 11/13/17
W7D	Dreamliner First Flight	12/14/17 - 12/18/17

XE, MEXICO Radio Club Queretaro (XE1RCQ) is active as **6E0C** <u>until April 30</u> to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Constitution of Mexico, drafted in Santiago de Queretaro by the Constitutional Congress and promulgated on 5 February 1917. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via XE1EE direct or bureau.